



The Key Newsletter

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Presidents' Corner: Sharon Lee & Pamela Creque

Happy New Year! 2016 is here, and it is time for us to start "Putting on the Glitz." Our programs for January will be presented by our 3rd VP, Lisa Ann McDougald and her team, as we prepare for our annual fundraiser Nite in Ole Cumming. Please bring any sponsorships or donations that you have received to the January meeting.

January is also the month that we kick off our membership drive. Please invite your prospective members to join us at one or both of the January meetings. "Great vision without great people is irrelevant." Jim Collins. If we are going to continue to grow as a club, we need YOU to recruit!

IMPORTANT! Our meeting place for the general meetings has changed. We will now facilitate our meetings at The Villages of Canterfield, 815 Atlanta Highway, Cumming, Georgia. Thanks so much to Dusty Gunn, executive director of the facility and our very own, Kimberly Funderburg for offering this beautiful facility. Our social time will start at 9:00 with light bites (Thanks to the Public Issues Department), and the meeting will start at 9:30. Our luncheon venue is Giorgio's Family Kitchen, 558 Lakeland Plaza. Please plan to join your SWC sisters for food, fun and fellowship.

NOTE! The venue for the evening guild has changed also!! We will meet at Quanto Basta, 2950 Buford Highway, Cumming. We will start the meeting at 6:00pm, and have dinner following the meeting. Dinner is optional, but the more the merrier.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

At Sharon's Home

7670 Holyoke Road, Cumming

Thursday, January 14, 12 pm

This is a working brunch! We will be working on a project for Family Haven and organizing for NiOC. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Sharon, and bring a brunch item to share.

We appreciate each of you, for the dedication and sacrifices that you make to keep SWC the amazing club that we have become. Thanks in advance for everything that you have and will do to make our NiOC the best yet!

Warm Regards,

Pamela and Sharon

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1st Vice President: Sandy Carter

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed your holiday season and are ready to start recruiting! We have a busy few months ahead of us in order to help grow our club! Not only is NIOC coming up but we need to make a huge push to invite new members to attend our meetings and learn what SWC is all about. Here is the plan:

January/February: Please reach out to your friends, neighbors, colleagues, etc. who you think would be interested in getting involved in the community to attend our January and February meetings. We are behind compared to last year so we need to think outside the box. Please email me a list of names, contact information including phone number, address, and birthdate of those who you are inviting and those who have come to a meeting in the fall so I can put a master list together. Let me know if there is interest in general meeting or night guild. I will continue to update them throughout the month about things we have going on.

March: Submit recommendation forms to me for new members. We will announce the potential members at the March meeting. There will be a 15-day comment period.

April: We will vote on new membership.

Please let me know if you have any questions. We want to make this a great year! We have had some turnover with people going back to work and family issues so please put some thought into this and let me know!

Have a wonderful week! Happy 2016!

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2nd Vice President: Sheree Crowe

PROJECT SERVICE HOURS FOR 2015 CALENDAR YEAR ARE DUE BY JANUARY 13TH MEETING!!!

I will have a complete list of all hours reported at the 13th meeting and forms for you to complete if needed. It would help so much if you email me or enter your hours online before then.

New members need a minimum of 10 hours, returning members need a minimum of 30 hours. Please be diligent to report ALL of your service hours not just the MINIMUM 10/30.

If you have any questions or concerns or suggestions... email me @ Sheree.Crowe@gmail.com or call/text me @ [770.354.3657](tel:770.354.3657).

DEPARTMENT CHAIRS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD -- we will have a Report Writing Mtg JANUARY 20TH 10am-12pm – Location TBD. We will work together to write the project reports for each department. All reports must be received at district before February 1st for recognition. We will have fun and get it done!

Thanks all!

Happy New Year!

Sheree Crowe, Second VP

3rd Vice President: Lisa Ann McDougald



Happy New Year, ladies!!!

Nite in Olde Cumming- Putting on the Glitz, is quickly approaching!!! Every SWC member needs be gathering silent auction items, selling tickets, and reaching out to potential sponsors. If you do not have a NIOC packet, please let me know ASAP. Please and thank you!

January To Do List for Nite in Olde Cumming:

Secure *quality* Silent Auction items valued at \$50 or more.

Sell tickets

Reach out to companies and friends to be Sponsors. This year, SWC members may purchase a Members Only Sponsorship for \$250 which includes 4 NiOC tickets, 4 drink tickets, and \$20 casino cash. **THIS LEVEL IS AVAILABLE TO SWC MEMBERS ONLY.**

Tickets will be available at our Evening Guild Meeting on Tuesday, January 12th and Wednesday General Meeting on Wednesday, January 13th. Every member of SWC is required to sell (at least) one ticket and donate a quality silent auction item, valued at \$50 or more.

"Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today."- Benjamin Franklin

Treasurers: Kim Balose and Maria Seibert

See attached Treasurer Report thru 12.31.15.

Book Club: Lois Watts

January book club will be at the home of Lois Watts on Wednesday, January 27th at 7:00. We are reading "someone else's love story" by Joshilyn Jackson. Lois' address is 1825 Turnberry Avenue, Suwanee. 30024. Please RSVP to Lois if you plan on attending.



Arts: Andrea Spillers

The arts department will be meeting with a jeweler to get ideas for our SWC charm bracelet. Looking forward to sharing those plans soon.

Andrea

Conservation: Denise Carleton and Lisa LaFayette

Denise Carleton & Lisa LaFayette Co-Chairs
dcarleton@bellsouth.net / l2hotlanta@yahoo.com



Happy New Year! Conservation will be scheduling events in the next few weeks for the upcoming months. We will be working with Keep Forsyth County Beautiful for Arbor Day and their Adopt-A-Stream program. The Education Dept. and Conservation will be getting ready for March's Read Across America bag of books for students at Chestatee Elementary. Last year we delivered 528 bags to students. Please work to collect gently used and new books for this project. We will also be delivering wish list items to the Humane Society, setting up another road cleaning, and doing a reuse craft at the Senior Center. Stay tuned for details, dates and times!

Items to Bring to Meetings:

Shoes (clean, new and gently used)

Bras (clean, new and gently used)

Tennis Balls (used) for Humane Society

CDs/DVDs (old movies, games, music, etc. for craft projects)

Wine corks

Drink caps (CLEAN)

Ink cartridges, toner cartridges and old cell phones to benefit Save the Horses

Did you know?

Recycling at home counts as one volunteer hour each month.

You can now record your volunteer time at the Humane Society and Save the Horses under Conservation.

Every \$10 you spend on a Conservation project or event counts as one volunteer hour.

Arbor Day in Georgia is 2/19/2016. Our State Tree is the Live Oak.

The best time to plant trees in Georgia is between November and mid-March, because it gives trees a chance to become established before the hot, dry period of summer. This is why Arbor Day is celebrated every year in Georgia on the third Friday in February. Learn more at <http://www.gfc.state.ga.us/community-forests/public-programs/georgia-arbor-day/>.

Education: Kim Bacastow

Kicking off the new year with Education, we will be updating the high schools with the current year SWC senior scholarship application. It will be available through the counseling page on the school websites and is open to seniors with a 3.0 or higher GPA and reside in Forsyth county. The scholarship application will also be available on the SWC website. Please promote to any eligible students you know who might benefit from the scholarship money. Member's children are eligible provided that the member does not participate on the selection committee.



The Dr. Seuss Read Across America day is approaching on **March 2nd** and our club is collecting gently used or new children's books for a project in support of the occasion. The donated books will be sorted, bagged in reusable shopping bags, and delivered to Chestatee Elementary School for distribution to in-need children. This project is a joint project between the Education and Conservation Departments and any dollars spent may be converted to service hours. We are in need of many more books! Please consider conducting a neighborhood book drive or coordinate with local scout troops to help. We will be asking for volunteers to help with the sorting and delivery (dates to be determined). A promotional flyer template to conduct a neighborhood drive will be available at the general meeting. Also remember, SWC Book Club and SWC Bible Study participation count for Education hours

Home Life: Wendy Goodrow and Debbi Little

Please bring in prom dresses, jewelry, shoes, and handbags for my perfect prom!



**International Outreach: Kimberly Funderburg and Lynda Pope**

The **Knitting/Sewing Club** at the Villas at Canterfield is slowly working away on the current project of baby hats and blankets. I would like to get going on the “no-no bands” and hospital gowns in the first quarter. I would love volunteers to help me cut out the fabric in the patterns for the items if you have time and a pair of sewing scissors. I can email the pattern to you if you want to make them completely as well. Please just email me directly at Kimberly@thefunderburgs.com and I will send it to you. We do plan to have a “sewing” party in the first quarter to put these together once we get the patterns cut and prepared.

The **Treat the Troops Southern Style** project has concluded for 2015 and will resume in the first quarter of 2016. The club sent MANY cookies this year and made financial contributions to shipping as well. We will continue to gather cookies, snacks, letters for soldiers and artwork from children to go into the boxes for the future packing dates of February 25, April 21, June 23, September 22 and November 17th. VFW Post #9154, 1045 Dahlonga Highway, Cumming 30040, 7:00PM. Please let us know if you would like to make a donation close to the packing date and we will make arrangements to get it.

The **MILITARY FAMILY** project : I am working with the local VFW to find a military member/family to support. I hope to have the information for the committee to review at the upcoming general meeting so we can announce the project by the end of January.

Thank you ladies for all your service and blessings that you give to our community in Forsyth county and beyond.

Kimberly and Lynda

Public Issues: Regina Maddox

Happy New Year's Ladies! It is almost Girl Scout cookie time. We are trying to coordinate efforts with the Girl Scout Troops of Forsyth County to sell extra cookies for the military men and women. The final details have not been worked out yet. We will share more details when they become available. In the meantime, if a Girl Scout asks you to buy cookies, please buy a box or two extra for the military!



Laura Coleman of Safe Kids Forsyth has invited us to attend the Winter Safe Kids Forsyth Coalition Meeting. It will take place on Monday, January 25th at 10 a.m. in the Large Multi-Purpose Room at the Public Safety Headquarters at 3520 Settingdown Road, Cumming. All ladies are welcome to attend this meeting.

Sunshine: Lisa Lewis

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!

Lois Watts	1-9
Laurie Mansfeldt	1-16
Andrea Preston	1-18
Jeannie VanCuren	1-18
Debbi Little	1-25



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, January 12

Evening Guild Meeting, 6:00pm at Quanto Basta

Wednesday, January 13

General Meeting, 9:00 am, at The Villages of Canterfield, 815 Atlanta Highway, Cumming, GA



Thursday, January 14

Champagne Brunch, 12:00pm at the Home of Sharon Lee, 7670 Holyoke Rd, Cumming, Ga. -Presidents' Corner section

Wednesday, January 20

Report Writing Meeting, 10-12
Location TBD

Monday, January 25

Winter Safe Kids Forsyth Coalition Mtg. 10am. See Public Issues section for more information.

Wednesday, January 27

Book Club, 7:00pm, Lois Watts home. Please see Book Club section for further information.

Thursday, February 25

Treat the Troops, 7:00pm. Please see International Outreach section for more information.

Friday, March 18

NiOC Set-up

Saturday, March 19

NITE IN OLDE CUMMING

Keep checking the SWC calendar often for updated events/times. The link to the website is...

<http://sawneewomansclub.org/calendar/>.

Sawnee Woman's Club is also on Facebook and Twitter. Please "like" and "follow"!

JANUARY 2016

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FEBRUARY

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